

**CAN FLY OR SAIL:** Bob Sparks, right, stands in gondola of balloon in which he will undertake a crossing of Lake Michigan Saturday. Above him is a sail to be used in an emergency should the craft land on water and require propulsion to reach shore. A rudder assembly is at rear. (AP Wirephoto)

## Lake Flight Saturday

# Watch For Giant Balloon

A big balloon carrying two adventurers over the waters of Lake Michigan might be visible to Twin Cities area residents Saturday as the craft cruises north.

The flight plan calls for the balloon to travel from Evanston (near Chicago) to Muskegon. Depending on winds, the balloon could come as close as 12 miles from the Twin Cities.

Two balloonists are making the flight over the lake as a trial run for a flight over the Atlantic Ocean in mid-July.

Bob Sparks, 37, entertainment director at a Pennsylvania resort, plans to make the solo flight across the Atlantic. During the Lake Michigan flight, Sparks will be accompanied by Mark Semich of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, designer of the balloon.

Cross the Atlantic, however, Sparks will be alone. "Naturally on an extended flight, you'd rather take ballast than people," Semich said. "It's very difficult to throw people off, and anyway, to be truly effective, you'd have to throw them off a piece at a time."

Balloonists throw ballast overboard in controlling the flight of balloons.

The last crew to attempt a trans-Atlantic balloon crossing vanished after the craft went down in a rainstorm Sept. 21, 1971.

The two flights are expected to cost a total of \$150,000.

Semich said his craft has a "balloon within a balloon" system which he said will allow Sparks to stay aloft long enough to reach Europe. He said a

sophisticated communications system will be installed in the craft.

Semich said a conventional balloon has "a very good flight" if it stays up for 24 to 30 hours.

Semich said the balloonists are hoping for a diagonal wind Saturday that will blow them northeast toward Muskegon, Mich. If they go straight across, Semich said, they'll continue across Michigan and Lake Huron.

If all goes well, he said, Sparks will take off from Bar Harbor, Maine, spend five days crossing, and land in or near Paris.

"In these days of sophistication," Semich said, he sees the balloon trip as "one of man's last efforts to do something on his own—one of the last chances to be free."

# Prosecutors Get Weapon To Battle Pornography

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court has primed the nation's prosecutors for a campaign against pornography.

A five-member majority Thursday, anchored by President Nixon's four appointees to the court, added new language to the obscenity issue that seems sure to doom such recent hard-core attention-getters as "Deep Throat," a movie whose reviews frequently contained a scorecard on the

number and variety of sexual acts depicted.

The court held in effect that literature and films which offend the standards of a given community provide sufficient cause for the material to be ruled obscene.

The ruling pleased many prosecutors and police officials who have been campaigning against pornography for years only to be rebuffed by court tests.

The court had previously applied a three-point test to determine pornography. The material had to appeal to prurient interest, against contemporary community standards and it had to be utterly without redeeming social value.

Thursday, the court abandoned the requirement that the material be utterly without value, substituting instead the question of whether the material constitutes a serious work.

And, the majority held that the standards should be those of the local community, not some abstract national community. The court also held that juries

really don't need any help from expert witnesses to make the judgments involved.

Thursday marked the first time since the 1957 decision that a majority of the court has formed a solid block to rule against "hard-core pornography," Chief Justice

Warren E. Burger declared.

And just in time. After years of supporting the three-point test for obscenity, Justices William J. Brennan Jr. (who wrote the 1957 decision), Potter Stewart and Thurgood Marshall were ready to give it up and support a position that would

approve the material if it were not made available to children or pushed on unwilling adults.

They found themselves in the minority with Justice William O. Douglas, who feels that the First Amendment protection of freedom of expression extends

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## Evanston Officer Appointed New BH Police Chief



**ANDREW RODEZ**  
New BH Police Chief

Andrew Rodez, 41, a sergeant with the Evanston, Ill., police department, is the new Benton Harbor police chief.

Announcement was made today by City Manager Charles A. Morrison who hired Rodez from a list of some 95 applicants. His salary will be \$19,250.

Rodez, who is black with some American Indian heritage, will take command of the department July 2. He was not present at the press conference called by Morrison this morning but will be in town next week.

A veteran of 15 years with the Evanston department, Rodez most recently commanded the community relations division after spending 10 years rotating through all divisions.

He carries impressive educational credentials. The past year he has been on leave from the Evanston force while working on a Ph.D. in law enforcement from Michigan State university. He holds a bachelor's degree in social science from Virginia Union university, a master's degree in special education from Northwestern Illinois State, and a certificate in police management from the Northwestern University Traffic Institute.

Morrison said Rodez was "sought out and encouraged to apply" for the permanent chief's job which has been vacant since William McClaran left last July to become police chief at Portland, Me. McClaran's salary here was \$17,600.

The Benton Harbor department was under acting command of Keith Mills from July to April and has since been

commanded by Meredith Rynearson. Morrison said newly-appointed Capt. Rynearson was one of the finalists for the permanent post of chief.

Rynearson has been holding three positions at the same time and doing "one whale of a job," said Morrison. Rynearson will be second in command of the department and acting chief in the absence of Rodez.

Morrison said he had conferred three times with Rodez and discovered him to be "quite a guy." Morrison explained Rodez will be in complete command of the department "under general supervision" of the city manager.

Morrison described Rodez as (See back page, sec. 1, col. 1)

## Lake Temperature

The temperature of Lake Michigan at shoreline today is 73 degrees.

Dine & Dance to the Sea Urchins. The Captains Table. Adv.

# State's New Millionaire Says He 'Might Retire'

By SUE TUMANIS  
Associated Press Writer  
YPSILANTI, Mich. (AP) — The fourth winner of Michigan's million-dollar lottery says his life probably won't change much—but he might retire next week.

James Fisher, 55, of St. Johns, a chain hooker and checker for Motor Wheel Corp., said he was headed for Cadillac Lake after the drawing for a

couple days vacation.

"I won't have to go by the clock anymore," smiled Fisher after he was named the lucky winner.

The drawing at Eastern Michigan University drew about 1,000 spectators Thursday night. Atty. Gen. Frank Kelley and Lottery Commissioner Gus Harrison were on hand to help EMU president Harold Sponberg and alumni chairman

Eugene Beatty with the ceremonies.

Fisher, who has been employed by Motor Wheel, an automotive supplier, for 31 years, said he hopes to retire soon and "enjoy life—a little fishing, traveling—and leisure time." He plans to travel to Alaska sometime next year.

"I didn't think it could be possible," exclaimed Fisher's wife, Doris. "We would have

been satisfied if we won \$1,000," she said as tears trickled down her cheeks.

"I didn't think we would even get \$5,000."

Fisher said the first thing he plans to purchase with his new wealth is a car.

"I don't know what kind it will be, but I'll tell you one thing, it won't be one of those big ones," he added sternly.

Mrs. Fisher said she looked forward to buying a new house. Fisher said he had purchased the ticket May 10 at Beck's Farm Market in St. Johns. The store, as a lottery sponsor, received a \$5,000 bonus for selling the winning ticket.

"I've been buying tickets ever since it first started," explained Fisher. "Some weeks I bought

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**MILLION DOLLAR COUPLE:** James D. Fisher, 55, of St. Johns, Michigan, and his wife, Doris, are all smiles after Fisher won a million dollars in the State of Michigan Lottery drawing Thursday in Ypsilanti. Fisher, who is employed at the Motor Wheel Corp. in St. Johns, said he will retire soon and "do a lot of fishing and traveling." Fisher and his wife are the parents of five children. (AP Wirephoto)

## Warren Dunes Gets The Blame

BY BRANDON BROWN  
Staff Writer

The Berrien county parks and recreation commission (PRC) has been rebuffed a second time on proposed county parks for what one member calls public reaction to Warren Dunes state park problems.

Royalton township's board recently voted unanimously to oppose a proposed 214-acre park on the "oxbow" of the St. Joseph river. Earlier, Weesaw township turned down a PRC proposal to build a county park at Boyle lake on the Weesaw-Buchanan township line.

"All the problems of this board ... can be summed up in two

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# Skylab Crew Is Down Safely!

ABOARD USS TICONDEROGA (AP) — Skylab's astronauts came safely home from man's longest space journey today, splashing down with pinpoint precision in the Pacific Ocean after 28 days and 11 million miles in orbit.

"We're all in good shape," Commander Charles Conrad Jr. reported as the spacecraft descended. "Everything's OK."

The astronauts almost were held over in orbit to try to repair a refrigeration problem in their space station. But mission

control decided there was nothing the astronauts could do and told them to come home.

So 10 minutes behind schedule Conrad, Dr. Joseph P. Kerwin and Paul J. Weitz undocked their Apollo ferry ship from the station and executed a series of maneuvers that sent them slamming into the atmosphere above Thailand for a fiery descent.

The Apollo craft hit the calm Pacific waters at 9:50 a.m. EDT

about 630 miles southeast of San Diego, Calif., within sight of the main recovery ship, the USS Ticonderoga. It was just after dawn off the west coast.

Hundreds of white-clad sailors on deck and millions watching television around the world once again had a ringside seat to a U.S. man-in-space landing as the Apollo craft floated down through low-hanging clouds and dangling under three huge

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**FRECKLE BIAS?:** Robert Driskell, 22, has complained to the Detroit civil rights office that his freckles might keep him from getting a job as a city bus driver. The man who interviewed Driskell for the job wrote "Excessive noticeable freckles" on his application. A city spokesman, who has freckles himself, theorized the notation might have been intended as a warning to check whether the freckles might indicate some kind of disease that would bar Driskell from the job. An investigation was ordered. (AP Wirephoto)

# THE HERALD-PRESS

## Editorial Page

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### Courts Penalize State For Doing A Good Job

"The law is an ass," said Charles Dickens. And the assine court rulings on out-state college tuition are a perfect example of what he meant.

The rulings will cost bonafide resident Michigan college students millions of dollars this year. Students whose parents have been paying heavy taxes for decades so their children could have a shot at higher education.

Benefiting from the rulings is the tune of about \$1,500 each will be hundreds of students from other states. Students who flock to Michigan's excellent colleges and universities but whose parents have not only never paid any Michigan taxes but probably have not had to pay reasonable taxes to support colleges in their own states.

Ask any layman if he thinks this situation is fair or justified, and he'd tell you flatly in five seconds that it isn't. But courts react differently.

The University of Michigan is going to lose at least \$2½ million this year because a Supreme Court ruling in a North Carolina case struck down a key provision of the U-M residency rules. The provision allowed non-residents to become residents, for tuition purposes, by living in Michigan for six months without being enrolled as a student.

To make up the projected out-state tuition loss, the U-M's Board of Regents will be asked to raise resident student fees "substantially above the

five to seven per cent increase" approved last spring for the coming year. Other state colleges and universities in Michigan presumably will have to take similar action.

The high court has not barred a difference between resident and non-resident tuition, but the distinction is now so complex that it makes separation difficult. And many, many out-staters will slip through.

Until the federal government picks up the entire tab for higher education, it is only just that the individual states be allowed to set their own attendance regulations.

Michigan's native sons and daughters should not be penalized because Mississippi or West Virginia decides higher education isn't worth taxes.

Speaking here early this spring, the University of Michigan's President Robben Fleming reported that the current College Evaluation Report listed the Ann Arbor institution as one of the nation's three greatest universities. Younger Michigan State University at East Lansing has also reached world-wide eminence.

These schools achieved excellence because enlightened Michigan taxpayers put their money where their pride is. But great state universities may be a thing of the past if federal "egalitarianism" frustrates common-wealth taxpayers.

### There's No Phase IV For The Postal Service

Elmer T. Klassen who probably wonders at times why he left the private executive suite to take on America's most poorly behaved business predicted this week that the eight-cent postage stamp will be resorted at a dime starting the first of next year.

The Postmaster General said the Postal Service in all likelihood will ask the Postal Rate Commission in September for authority to boost first class mail rates 25 per cent.

Klassen during an interview with U.S. News and World Report magazine confirmed two other rumors buzzing around for quite some time.

Special delivery which is a 60-cent item and airmail, an 11-cent figure, may be scrapped.

Despite some recent promotional effort by the Service, airmail is declining. Klassen attributes the loss to a feeling it is not worth the extra three cents in postage.

Special delivery, he described, as both too costly and too inefficient for

what it provides.

The reason for Klassen's gloomy outlook is the labor situation within his shop.

Although the Service has lopped off 37,500 people since it replaced the old Post Office Department two years ago, the payroll continues to go up.

The postal unions are not bashful in the least in making known the value of their services to keeping the information flow running, and unless the Service can engineer around that condition, a 15-cent postage stamp is closer at hand than one might think.

The U.S. News interview did not have much to say about service to the patrons picking up in proportion to the increase in postage.

Neither was there any speculation that the Phase IV promised by the White House between now and August 12th might apply to the rate boost.

However, there is always the hope that once the inside personal requirements have been met the customer may also receive a break.

### British Watchdogs

Ways of reforming its procedures are being probed by the British House of Commons, but one idea that has emerged is not being seriously considered.

This is a proposal that Commons, like Congress, set up specialized committees to keep tab on foreign affairs, defense and other specific activities of government. The possibilities are as endless in London as

they are in Washington, where the committees keep cabinet and department officials parading before them to explain themselves and their legislative proposals.

There's quite a difference between the British and American legislative systems, and this suggests that standing investigation committees are of lesser urgency in Parliament. All British cabinet members, as well as the prime minister, are on the floor speaking for the government, promoting its policies and being directly challenged in regular question periods.

In the United States, no cabinet member or other executive official sits in Congress, making committees the arenas for tossing questions.

Leaders of the Conservative government are reported agreed that having to account to watchdog committees would weaken the cabinet's authority. This is a familiar complaint in Washington, too, but in Britain the legislative and executive branches are already bridged.

In 1972, for the first time since World War I, more bicycles were sold in the United States than cars, National Geographic reports. More than 40 percent of Americans now are at least part time cyclists.

### Even The Weather's Against Him



### GLANCING BACKWARDS

#### LEJ'S PRESS MAN SPEAKS HERE

— 1 Year Ago —

"When you put a man in the White House you isolate him from reality just as effectively as if you had put him in a padded cell and fed him through the bars," said George E. Reedy, former press secretary to Lyndon B. Johnson in 1964-65.

"Isolation of presidents is a serious problem because no one can get at it," Reedy said. "The presidency is the only branch of government where one man is the head. Three and one-half million people in the executive branch all work for the same

man.

#### NEARS COMPLETION AT HOUSE OF DAVID

— 10 Years Ago —

An 84 by 100 foot covering at the House of David which will shelter visitors to the beer garden and stage from sun and rain is nearly complete. To be opened in a couple weeks, the shelter is covered with white baked enamel sheets. Side curtains will further shelter visitors while still allowing an outdoors atmosphere.

Work costing approximately \$30,000 is being done by Martin Fabrication and Steel Supply

Co. of Benton Harbor, dealer for Armo Steel Building, Inc. Foreman of the project is James Jacobs and House of David Park manager is Chick Bell.

#### LIGHTNING SETS \$20,000 BLAZE IN TOWN

— 29 Years Ago —

Heavy thunderstorms with torrential rains swept across Berrien county and southern Michigan early today for the third time this week, causing considerable property damage.

A bolt of lightning fired the Newland Furniture store in the heart of Benton Harbor's downtown business district, with an estimated \$20,000 loss. The heavy wind caused damage of \$1,500 at the Oscar D. Martin farm near Scottdale.

#### FIRST PLACE

— 39 Years Ago —

The St. Joseph Elks drill team won first place in the state contest during the state convention of the Michigan Elks association.

#### SUPT. E.P. CLARKE HONORED

— 49 Years Ago —

Supt. E.P. Clarke, who has completed his 25th year as head of the St. Joseph public schools, was honored at the conclusion of the annual commencement exercises. A handsome white gold watch, a token of esteem from the board of education, was presented to him with Atty. R.E. Barr, president of the school board making the presentation. Diplomas were awarded to 47 graduates of the St. Joseph high school. Robert Williams, dean of Albion college, was the main speaker.

#### MOVE LODGE HOME

— 59 Years Ago —

With the bands playing, and over 200 visiting Elks in line, St. Joseph Lodge B.P.O.E., formally moved from its old club rooms in the Masonic building to the fine new home on Broad street, where dedication exercises took place.

#### SINGLE MAN

— 83 Years Ago —

Captain Botham is keeping bachelor hall on his farm for a few days.

### Bruce Blossat

### GOP Not Shaky As You Think



WASHINGTON (NEA) — The impact of the Nixon administration's scandals on the 1974 election may not be as startling and significant as the early talk has it.

Of the 34 U.S. Senate seats then at stake, only 15 are presently held by Republicans. Most of these 15 are occupied by figures with considerable political security and in some instances a great deal of seniority. Probably at least half of this total would be very difficult to dislodge unless somehow touched by personal scandal in the intervening months.

If anything, a few of the 15, like Sens. Norris Cotton of New Hampshire, Milton Young of North Dakota, Wallace Bennett of Utah and George Aiken of Vermont, might be more vulnerable on the score of age or perhaps over-long tenure than anything else.

Indeed, among these there might be a decision or two to retire. That could lessen rather than increase GOP vulnerability, since the areas mentioned are strongly Republican, and well-chosen fresh faces could not easily be linked to past national Republican difficulties.

Those reasonably secure Republicans who will be on the line in 1974 include Sens. Barry Goldwater of Arizona, Peter Dominick of Colorado, Edward Gurney of Florida, Robert Dole of Kansas, Jacob Javits of New York. If the age factor is overrated, then some of those previously listed might also be on the safe side.

It can be argued, too, that the shakier spots are mostly those which naturally are less secure for Republicans. Some are in basically Democratic territory.

These would include places held by Sens. Marlow Cook of Kentucky, Charles Mathias Jr.

of Maryland, William Saxbe of Ohio, Henry Bellmon of Oklahoma, Robert Packwood of Oregon, Richard Schweiker of Pennsylvania. Freshman Packwood could be under siege from Gov. Tom McCall if the latter either turns Democrat or decides to run for the Senate as an independent.

Yet the loss of a few Senate seats in 1974 would hardly be staggering news in the best of circumstances. Republicans already have a 57-43 Senate deficit and the party, in presidential power rarely gains in the off-year elections.

The same can be said for the party's House prospects. Down by 255 to 179 after the 1972 elections, short of a House majority by roughly 40 seats, the normal 1974 outlook — minus Watergate — would be for new attrition. The House GOP total hasn't touched the 200 mark for years. Republicans there today are not any kind of power, and some further losses won't make all that much difference.

In the governorship realm, matters are truly more serious. Governors' chairs are being contested in 1973-74 in all but one (Illinois) of the nation's 10 most populous states. Not long ago, Republicans held every one of these but Texas, but right now they have a grip on just five — Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Michigan, and California.

In-state scandals already have helped unseat incumbent Gov. William Cahill in New Jersey, where the post is up this year. His victorious primary rival, Charles Sandman, has to be rated vulnerable.

Govs. Francis Sargent of Massachusetts, Nelson Rockefeller of New York, and William Milliken of Michigan look good. But California (minus Reagan) is wide open.

### Marianne Means



### Congress Cautious On Impeachment

WASHINGTON — The tentative peeps in Congress about impeaching President Richard Nixon are wildly premature and not reflective of the general mood on Capitol Hill.

If anything, the efforts to raise the impeachment question have been counter-productive.

This does not mean that Congressmen have ruled out the possibilities of impeachment proceedings if sufficient evidence is developed by the Federal prosecutors and Senate investigators to demonstrate deep Presidential involvement in the Watergate crimes.

But it does mean an overwhelming majority of House members are reluctant to begin such a serious move at the moment. There are many pragmatic reasons for this go-slow attitude.

Not the least among them is the lack of public pressure for impeachment. Congressmen of both parties say their constituents seem confused, dis-

turbed, or bored by Watergate — but so far they sense no public consensus that the President is to be blamed and should be punished.

In addition, both Democrats and Republicans have partisan political motives for being cautious. GOP Congressmen are naturally not eager to help bring about the destruction of the leader of their party. And Democratic Congressmen are worried about being accused of playing vindictive partisan politics, picking on a poor President when he's down.

Many Democrats also believe their party's prospects for 1976 will be better if Nixon, controversial and beleaguered, remains in office than if he is replaced by Vice President Spiro Agnew, who might offer fresh vigor and ideas and earn a full term in his own right.

And the three House members who have been the first to raise the impeachment issue are not the right people. Rep. Paul McCloskey, R., Calif., has an ax to grind, since he tried unsuccessfully to take the President's job away last year and is already on record as wanting to impeach him over the Vietnam War. Rep. Bella Abzug, D., N.Y., has long been identified as a militant champion of radical causes and an outspoken opponent of Nixon on almost everything. Rep. John Moss, D., Calif., the most respected for his fairness of the three, has unfortunately made himself suspect by issuing a press release for publicity rather than quietly trying to rally support for his proposal.

Although the political timing is unwise, there really is a rational argument for taking an early look at what might be involved in an impeachment proceeding. The House has the Constitutional responsibility for initiating it, sitting as a sort of grand jury to determine whether there is enough evidence for the Senate to consider impeachment.

### EDITOR'S MAILBAG

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OLYMPIAN GAMES

Editor, For many kinds of enrichment in the summer activities of school age youngsters in all Berrien communities, we in the Berrien County Olympian and CanAmer Games program appeal to those 19 or over who regularly have a few hours free once or twice a week between now and July 6 — and that special spirit of neighborliness which lends a helping hand. We need more volunteers.

It's just as easy to keep a suntan or get your exercise while helping supervise groups of kids practicing track events or softball as it is at home, and much more exciting.

We've seen that, regardless of what you may have heard, happiness really is learning to return a tennis ball properly or execute a better turn in a swimming race, or — helping it happen; we think it's a lot more useful and satisfying for a youngster to learn softball or soccer, or chess, or basketball, than who's on Hollywood Squares or the Dating Game. Supervised wrestling instruction, for example, uses up some of that boundless energy of youth without producing black eyes, bloody noses and broken bones, and teaches a youngster self-confidence and self-esteem.

All of these sports and games are part of the Berrien County Olympian and CanAmer Games program, designed to provide free of charge for all county school age youth a variety of supervised sports and recreation through the efforts of a small staff, donated help from professional sports and recreation workers and nonprofessional volunteers assisting them, and stadium and gym use donated by school systems throughout the county. Cities cooperate by providing maintenance of parks and recreation areas, and area business, industry, and dedicated individuals support the games program financially and with in-kind services.

The kids are the recipients of the program, which is what motivates the adults. But each year more youngsters register for the program, and the need for volunteers is correspondingly higher. This year, as more school systems in the

county than ever before, and independent recreation programs, have responded with willingness to share facilities and coordinate the Games program wherever possible with existent programs. Registrations in all 12 Olympian sport areas are being received earlier and in greater numbers than the past — but some communities in the county are so lacking in volunteer response the program has had to be suspended.

Gallen, Lakeshore, and Bridgman will have no 1973 games program without immediate response to the need for volunteers, although sites and participants are waiting. And the program in Niles is in need of many more volunteers, though some sports are still offered in the area. Contacts are: Gallen, Jack Canfield 545-2292 after 5 p.m.; Lakeshore, Kay Baird, 429-4884; Niles, Terry Redman, Niles Recreation Office, Central Elementary school, 683-0731; and for Bridgman, volunteers should contact the CanAmer office, 927-4022.

Volunteers, aged 19 or over, are vital to a properly run games. Instructors who donate their services cannot teach groups of youngsters without assistance in keeping order, lining up participants by age, event, and so on.

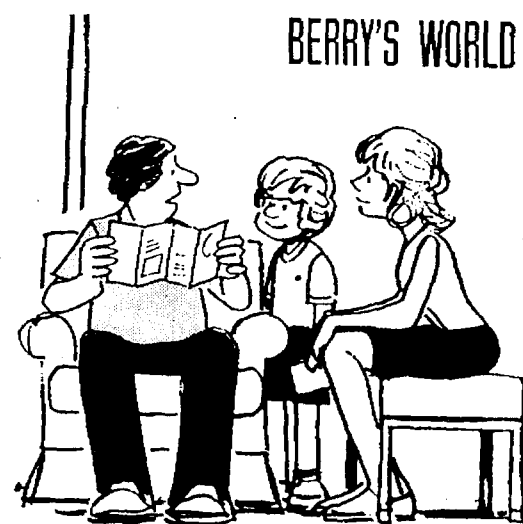
Berrien County Olympian and CanAmer Games, the only such program which has been recognized and commended by the Michigan senate, is best known for its Olympian (countywide) finals and the CanAmer Games, when Berrien's best compete with their counterparts from Brant county, Ontario, Canada

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### Genetic Defect May Be Factor In Cirrhosis

BOSTON (AP) — A genetic defect found in some persons could be a significant factor in their susceptibility to cirrhosis of the liver if they drink alcohol, researchers report.

The researchers say they have developed a test to identify persons with the defect. Those persons should be warned to refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages, the scientists said.



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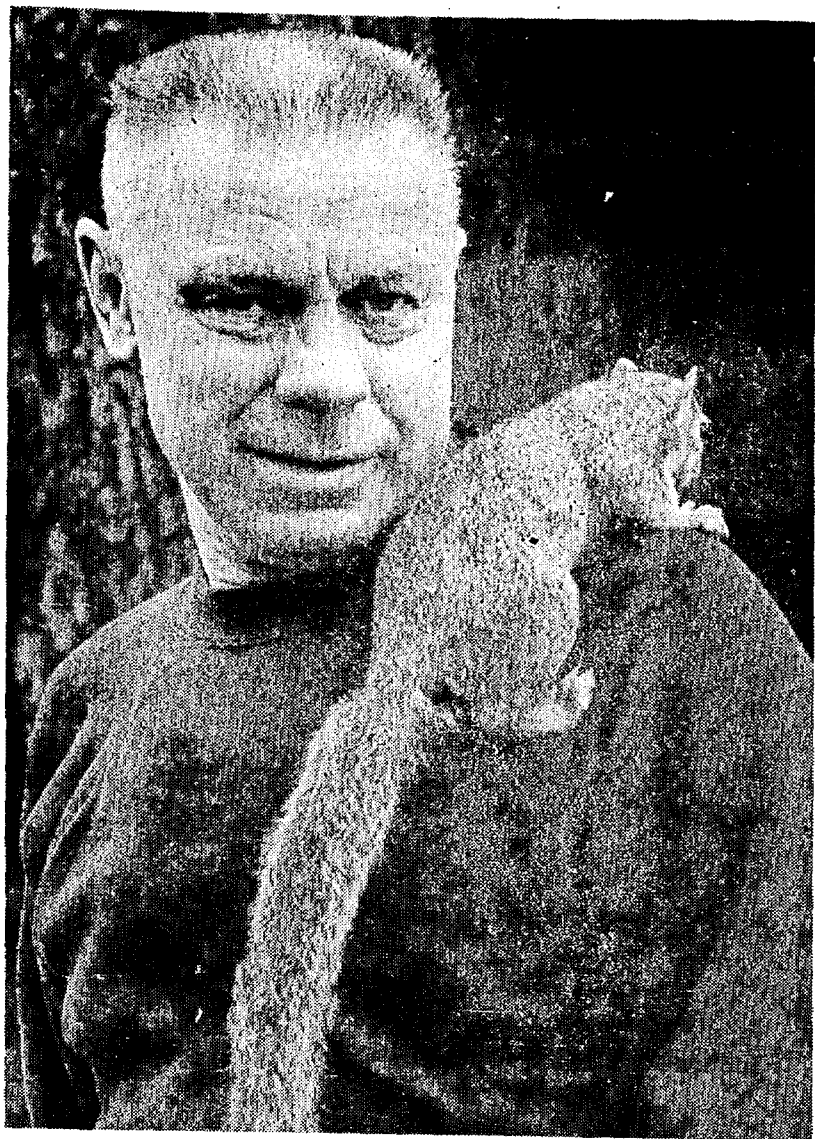
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Twin City  
Highlights

ST. JOSEPH, MICH. FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 1973



**WALLY'S 'WHISKEY':** Baby squirrel that fell out of its nest in the Walter E. Siewert yard, 1515 Moccasin Trail, St. Joseph township, has the run of the Siewert household. Mrs. Siewert put baby squirrel in box with heating pad and fed it baby food. The Siewerts named the squirrel "Whiskey" and it answers to a call, but Siewert admitted sunflower seeds and other tidbits help. When weather gets cold and wet the squirrel will spend the night in the house. (Staff Photo)

## BH Chief Offers Advice Fire Prevention Tips

BY SCOTT WILLIAMSON  
Staff Writer

Fire prevention isn't a lot of work—it's common sense. Those are the sentiments of Harold Gaddie, Benton Harbor fire chief, who is initiating an intensive campaign to reduce the loss of property and life in Benton Harbor as the result of fires.

In the past four years six children have died in Benton Harbor fires, and 236 structures sustained fire damage in Benton Harbor last year alone.

And all the loss of lives and property was needless, Gaddie emphasizes.

"When we in the fire department return from fighting a fire, we find ourselves heart-sick. We see that often the great financial and personal losses, and even loss of life, could have been avoided if the occupants of the home had known what to do, or had not panicked," Gaddie stated.

Chief Gaddie has submitted a report to this newspaper on various ways to make homes fire-safe, and help prevent loss of life and injury. Following is a summary of some of the chief's tips:

Families should hold fire drill meetings and discuss what to do in the event of a fire. It should be noted that there are almost always areas of escape from every room—the door or a window.

Families should establish a fire signal to alert members of the household to an emergency, and establish a meeting place if the family leaves the house due to a fire.

Sleep with hall and bedroom doors closed, as they can keep out deadly smoke, heat, and gases. If you are trapped in a burning room, drop to the floor and crawl to an exit. Fresh air is usually in the lower portion of the room.

Smoking is the cause of 21 per cent of all home fires. Don't smoke in bed.

Keep newspapers and other items away from water heaters. Clean the attic of excess debris, and never store flammable liquids or aerosols in the attic, due to the heat build-up in the attic.

The same cleaning rules apply to the garage, crawl space, and basement.

Make certain the wiring in your home is adequate for the demands your family places on it. If you have any suspicions, call an electrician.

A sure sign of an electrical overload is when the lights dim when an appliance is plugged in. Also check appliance cords for damage, and replace if necessary.

Never place a penny behind a fuse, as it cannot "blow" like a

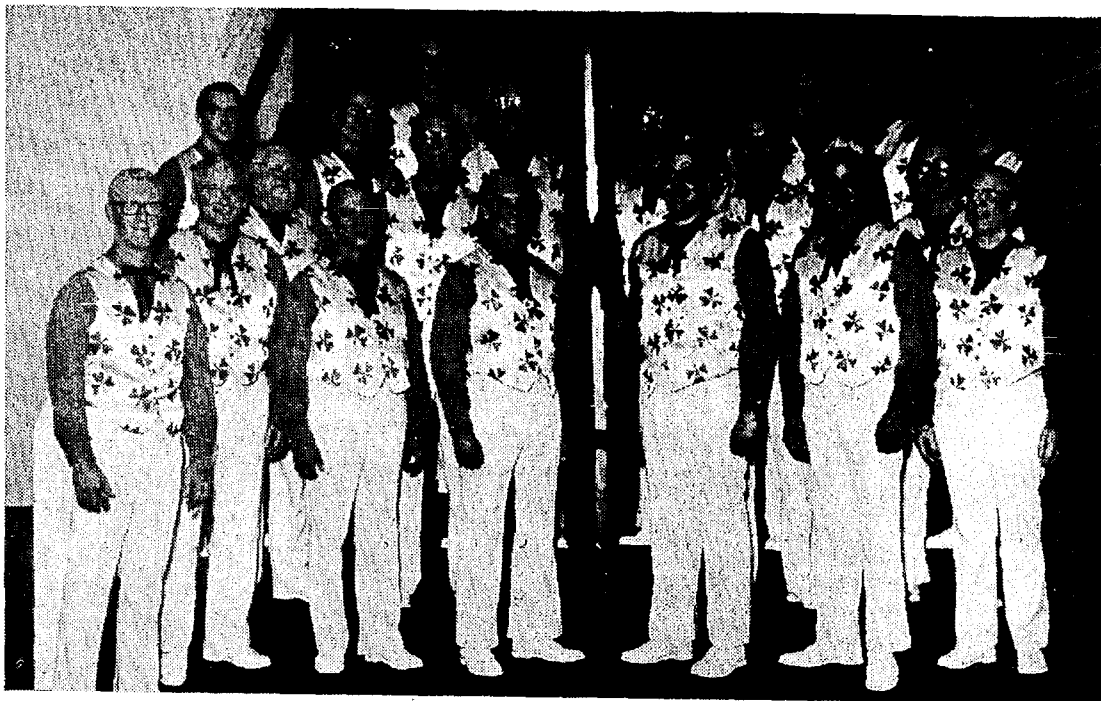
fuse, and will allow the house to pull too much current, causing wires to burn.

The first thing to do in case of fire is get out, and call the fire department from another location. Never re-enter a burning building, unless to carry out another person.

Make certain the fire department has all the information they need. Let them hang up before you do.



CHIEF GADDIE  
Cites Fire Losses



**BACK IN BANDSTAND:** The Fruitbelt Chorus of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in

America will help open the 1973 St. Joseph Municipal Band concert season Sunday. The choir is directed by Roger Valentine, front row, left.

## Pre-School Eye Tests Scheduled In Lakeshore

Annual vision and screening clinic for pre-school children in Lakeshore school district, sponsored by the Lakeshore Lions, will be held Aug. 6 through 10, Chairman Ron Iannelli announced today.

Iannelli said state law requires that all children entering kindergarten this fall must have their eyes examined before they enter school.

Iannelli said there is no charge for the clinic. Testing will be done by certified technicians.

The clinic is being sponsored by the Lakeshore Lions in cooperation with the Lakeshore Public Schools and Berrien County Health Department.

The club sent letters home with school children, asking parents to register their youngsters for the clinic. Families who have moved to the area recently can write for registration to the Lakeshore Lions, Box 188, Stevensville. Information needed for registration is the name, address and telephone number. Parents will be contacted by members of the club regarding scheduling.

## Injured Girl Still 'Serious'

The condition of 2-year-old Tia Patrick, who was struck by an auto Wednesday in Benton Harbor, is still listed as "very serious," according to officials at Bronson hospital, Kalamazoo.

The accident occurred at 1:30 p.m., according to Benton Harbor police. Tia reportedly ran across Highland avenue, in front of her house at 606 Highland, into the path of a car.

## SJ City Band Will Open Season Sunday

BY DICK DERRICK  
SJ City Editor

The 1973 St. Joseph Municipal Band season will open Sunday with a bang, a bevy of beauties, a band and a choir.

Concerts are held in the John E. N. Howard bandshell located on Port street near Lake boulevard in St. Joseph at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m. every Sunday

from the last Sunday of June to Labor day.

This is the fourth season the municipal band is playing in the new bandshell.

Director John E. N. Howard explained the bang, beauties, band and choir.

The bang, he said, will be delivered by members of the Jacksonville, Fla., High school

percussion sextet directed by Philip R. Binkley. This percussion ensemble was formed in October, 1972 to give students an ensemble experience not readily available at their respective schools. Each member of the group was a member of the Fort Caroline Junior High school symphonic band and started training as a beginner in the seventh grade under the direction of Binkley.

During the summer Binkley is the principal of the municipal band percussion section while doing graduate work at Andrews university. During the school year he is the band director at Fort Caroline Junior High school. He serves as part time music faculty at Jacksonville university and as choir director at the Jacksonville First Seventh-day Adventist church and Grace Episcopal church in Orange Park, Fla.

The beauty, Howard said, will be provided by the appearance of Deborah Zemke, Miss Blossomtime 1973 of Bridgman; Missy Young, first runner-up from Watervliet; Jill Herman, second runner-up from Benton Harbor and Susan Taylor, Miss St. Joseph.

The four queens are guests of the Fruit Belt chapter of the Barbershoppers who will be providing the "songs" for the season-opening concert.

The 20-man chorus is directed by Roger Valentine. The chorus will sing songs it presented in February at the 25th anniversary of the founding of the chapter.

The band music will come from the instruments and musicians of the municipal band. The band will play a paraphrase of "Onward, Christian Soldiers," arranged by Paul LaValle, the fiery overture to the opera, "Zampa," and some spirited marches.

Howard said the opening program of the season is so packed with extras he may have difficulty topping it again the rest of the season—but he said he will try.



DEBORAH ZEMKE  
Miss Blossomtime

## BH Girl, 7, Treated For Dog Bites

A Benton Harbor girl sustained puncture wounds to the chest and abdomen, and multiple abrasions, when she was bitten by a German Shepherd Thursday at 8 p.m.

Patrice Bettison, 7, of 721 Ogden avenue, was treated and released from Mercy hospital. She told Benton Harbor police that she was playing inside the house of a friend. Owner of the dog, Earl Mills, Jr., of 755 Superior street, Benton Harbor, told police the dog has received rabies shots.



**NEW HEADQUARTERS:** Lakeland Mill Supply Co. has opened new headquarters at 3413 Hill street, off Hawthorne avenue, in St. Joseph Industrial

park. Open house in new 6,500 square foot building is planned for fall. It is third location for firm which opened in 1957 at 2900 Niles avenue, then moved into larger building at 2808 Niles in 1966.

## SJ Summer Program Sign-Up Is Monday

Registration for the summer recreation program at Kiwanis Park, St. Joseph, will begin at 8:30 a.m. Monday at the park.

The program for the summer, sponsored by the City of St. Joseph, will include softball, volleyball, archery, ping pong, table games, shuffleboard, tennis, croquet, tetherball, loop tennis and arts and crafts.

The season will run from June 25 through Aug. 16, and will be supervised by adults on weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except Fridays when supervised hours will be from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The summer program will be supervised by Jill Konrath, Ann Borelli, David Koch and Gerald Stemm.

Fridays will be lunch days at the park and on this day children may bring their own lunches including pop. Every third Friday of the month, children may bring hot dogs to roast over the fire, built and closely supervised by playground personnel. Each Friday afternoon, special events will also be held, ranging from races and relays to contests of various kinds.

During the summer, there will be a playground tournament to determine the winner of different age groups in various games. The date of the tournament will be announced later and posted on the main building's bulletin board. Another special day will be an exhibit of the arts and crafts projects completed by children.



**HEAD LAKELAND:** Robert Tibbitts (left), vice president, and brother Charles, president, head Lakeland Mill Supply Co. which has moved into new building on new street in St. Joseph Industrial park. Robert joined his brother in firm in 1968. This year, their sons become active. David Tibbitts, son of Charles, is general manager. Robert Tibbitts, Jr. will join company in the fall after graduation from Western Michigan university. (Staff photos)



## South Haven Coast Guard Station May Be Reopened

WASHINGTON — A supplemental appropriation of \$600,000 to re-open some of 13 Coast Guard search and rescue stations which were closed this year in an economy move has

passed the U.S. House of Representatives. Among the stations shut down were six in Michigan, including the South Haven station which had been in use for almost 90

years. The bill does not pin down which of the stations would be re-opened, however. Congressman Philip E. Ruppe of Houghton (11th district) said he is "cautiously optimistic"

that the measure will pass the Senate. "I feel confident the senate will concur with the sentiment of the house in restoring search and rescue funds," he said.

"Without these facilities there would be a tremendous lack of emergency rescue capability as well as a serious loss to the safety of the boating public."

Ruppe, ranking Republican member of the Coast Guard committee in the house, said the additional \$600,000 appropriation approved by the house is a compromise measure and is not sufficient to re-open all 13 of the stations closed.

But, he added, he is confident that Michigan would be in store for some restoration of services.

Determination on which stations would re-open, if the senate concurs with the house in boosting the appropriation for search and rescue stations, would rest with the Coast Guard, a spokesman in Ruppe's office said.

The \$600,000 added to the Coast Guard appropriation by the house is 40 per cent of the estimated \$1.5 million the Coast Guard said it would save by closing the stations.

Ruppe said Sen. Philip Hart and Sen. Robert Griffin of Michigan have been working in the senate to increase the authorization measure to the Coast Guard.

He said that if the senate agrees with the house that chances appear good that the administration would go along.

In addition to South Haven, Michigan stations closed in the economy move were at Harbor Beach, Manistee, Portage, Beaver Island and Munising.

Aides in Ruppe's office said there is no indication when the senate may consider the Coast Guard authorization bill, but it is desirable to have as many appropriations bills passed before the end of the fiscal year, June 30.



**BOOZE VS. DRUGS:** Four speakers Thursday stressed that youths are psychologically conditioned to drink and parents often approve drinking while condemning drugs, although both can be used for escape. The speakers participated in an alcohol abuse convocation sponsored by the Berrien County Council of Churches in Berrien Springs. From left: Rev. Arnold Bofin, executive director of

the Council; Joseph Foster, alcohol coordinator for the Van Buren County Mental Health department; Ursula Lamb, alcohol counselor for the Riverwood Mental Health department in St. Joseph; Jack DeLong, alcoholism coordinator for the Berrien county health department; and Dave Lindenmuller, alcohol therapist for the Cass County Mental Health department.

## Treatment Seen Replacing Jail Terms For Boozers

BY BILL RUSH

Staff Writer

Medical treatment and counseling eventually may replace criminal charges and jail as legal means for coping with alcohol-related offenses.

The prediction came out of an alcohol use and abuse convocation Thursday at the Youth Memorial building in Berrien Springs sponsored by the Berrien County Council of Churches.

A new set of law is developing

that recognizes alcoholism as a sickness and some states are moving away from treating drunks and drunk drivers as merely violators of laws, according to David Lindenmuller, alcohol therapist for the Cass county mental health center.

Lindenmuller noted two appellate court decisions in the East which ruled: chronic alcoholics cannot be convicted of public intoxication because the condition is not voluntary, and prosecution of an alcoholic who

needs treatment is cruel and unusual punishment under the 18th amendment of the Constitution.

The two case laws are not always applied at the local level but would appear to be a mandate for states to provide treatment for persons arrested on charges involving alcohol, Lindenmuller said.

In Kalamazoo, 90 per cent of the persons picked up on the street for public intoxication are taken to hospitals for treatment, and states may one day be obligated to follow this procedure, he said. Lindenmuller noted, however, that such persons currently still face criminal charges once treatment ends.

Other speakers at the convocation were: Ursula Lamb, alcoholism counselor for the Riverwood Mental Health center, St. Joseph; Jack DeLong, alcoholism coordinator for the Berrien county health department; and Joseph Foster, alcohol coordinator for the Van

Buren county Mental Health center. State Rep. Ray Mittan was scheduled to speak but was detained in Lansing.

The speakers noted that statistics from the National Council on Alcoholism show: 45 per cent of the alcoholics in this country are professional or managerial workers; the typical alcoholic has been at his job for 12 years and is between 35 and 54 years old; and only 3 to 5 per cent of alcoholics are skid row bums.

Education in the schools, industrial programs to spot employees with poor work performances possibly due to alcohol, and rehabilitation programs through the courts are needed and currently being developed in the three counties, the speakers said.

DeLong asserted that education should stress alcohol is not a harmless beverage, but an anesthetic drug that numbs the sensibilities.

About one of every 14 persons is an alcoholic but only 25 per cent are found in bars and taverns. The rest are hidden in homes, factories, offices and clubs, Foster stated.

Alcohol is caused by physical, emotional, environmental and spiritual conditions, Ms. Lamb said, suggesting a halfway house for counseling is needed for alcoholics who are detoxified and put back on the streets.

## Kazoo Woman Dies In Crash

PAW PAW — A Kalamazoo woman died in a one-car crash north of here early today, according to Van Buren sheriff's department.

The 62-year-old victim, Mrs. Minnie May Tazelaar, was alone in the car when the vehicle struck a bridge abutment, deputies said.

Investigating officers are theorizing that the woman either had a heart attack or fell asleep at the wheel.

They said that the car was

northbound when it hit the bridge about four miles north of Paw Paw on M-40 about 6:30 a.m.

Wreckers had to pull the car apart before the body could be recovered, deputies said.

The woman was pronounced dead at the scene by a Van Buren deputy medical examiner.

If death is ruled a result of the crash, it will be the ninth traffic fatality of 1973 in Van Buren county.

## Wyoming Entrant Top Talent

MUSKEGON, Mich. (AP) — An East Grand Rapids violinist captured top talent honors in preliminary competition for the Miss Michigan Pageant here Thursday.

Miss Wyoming, Kristine Susan Mulder, 20, played a medley of gypsy music to take the honors at L.C. Walker Arena. Miss Mulder, a junior at the University of Michigan, is 5-foot-2, has eyes of blue and brown hair.

Miss Central Michigan University, Carol Lynn Flynn, 19, was designated the pageant's first swim suit semifinalist. The 135 pound, 35-25-35 CMU junior has brown hair and blue eyes and is from Gladwin.

The Miss Michigan semifinal competition continues through Friday, with final judging Saturday night.

The winner will advance to the Miss America contest in September.

## Carmichael Named F&M Trust Officer



BURWELL L. CARMICHAEL  
Trust Officer

Promotion of Burwell L. Carmichael to trust officer at Farmers & Merchants Natl bank, Benton Harbor, was announced today by Richard E. Willard bank president.

Carmichael joined the trust department in 1972 after being associated with Peoples Savings association in Benton Harbor for two years.

A 1966 graduate of Benton Harbor high school, Carmichael received a B.A. degree in business administration, with a concentration on accounting and consumer protection from Albion college in 1970.

Carmichael, 25, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Carmichael of Benton Harbor.



STATE HONORS: Donald L. Herman and Memorial Hospital, St. Joseph, were named "Employer of the Year" by the Michigan Association for Retarded Children. Herman was cited for his work in training and finding positions for the mentally handicapped. Mrs. John Burda, president of the Berrien County Association for Retarded Children, made the presentation. Herman's name has been submitted for national honors. (Staff Photo)

## Hires Handicapped Hospital Executive Wins State Honor

BY DICK DERRICK  
SJ City Editor

Donald L. Herman, executive housekeeper and laundry manager of Memorial hospital, St. Joseph, was named "Employer of the Year" by the Michigan Association for Retarded Children at its annual meeting June 15 in Ann Arbor.

Herman has been nominated for similar recognition by the national arm of the association which will meet in October.

The award honors Herman and Memorial hospital for providing training and job opportunities for the mentally handicapped. This term encompasses problems ranging from many types of emotional handicaps through mental retardation.

Herman said: "I recognized a source of fine employees that is largely untapped by business and industry. Most employers could benefit from tapping this source as well." He outlined the mutual advantages to the handicapped and society. They include the restoration of a sense of dignity and self-sufficiency to persons formerly dependent upon public assistance.

Mrs. John (Sue) Burda, president of the Berrien County Association for Retarded Children, said: "The mentally handicapped often require only the opportunity to perform to establish their worth. Mr. Herman gave that opportunity."

The program at Memorial hospital is one of training and placement. Besides learning skills, the trainee also learns to work with others, accept instructions and perform a job efficiently.

The mentally handicapped receive no special consideration beyond that accorded any individual. They are trained as

housekeepers, general laundry helpers and in other positions.

They are found to be very reliable, Herman said. Absenteeism and turnover rates, as a group, are markedly low. Job performance is as high or higher than the norm. "Supervisors mainly complain when they lose such an employee to another employer," Herman said.

The latter point is a key one according to Mrs. Burda who notes: "Mr. Herman offered primarily a chance to train the mentally handicapped. Because of his familiarity with the community, he was also able to assist in placing these persons once trained into other permanent positions throughout the area. For this reason many more have profited than if the hospital had merely trained and permanently employed these men and women."

Beginning in November, 1972 with six girls from Maple Grove Young Adult Center, these employees now number 13. Seven have accepted positions with area motels, laundries, nursing homes and other hospitals.

Herman's interests led him to seek out persons with other types of handicaps. Among the agencies he now works with are the Vocational Rehabilitation Service, Michigan Department of Social Services, the Cooperative Occupational Training Program through Lakeshore High school and Riverwood Community Mental Health Center. Twelve persons were employed and trained; four have since accepted other positions in the community.

Herman's name was submitted to the state association for the award by Mrs. Burda. Names offered by other similar local associations throughout the state were considered.

## Gillespie Heads State Pharmacists



ROBERT J. GILLESPIE  
Heads State Association

Robert J. Gillespie, R.Ph., of St. Joseph, was installed as president of the Michigan Paramedical association this week at the 90th annual meeting on Mackinac Island.

The installation ceremony was conducted Maurice Betel, Muksegon pharmacist and executive committee chairman, and was attended by more than 400 pharmacists and their spouses.

Gillespie, vice president and treasurer of Gillespie Drug stores in Benton Harbor and St. Joseph, is a past president of the American Pharmaceutical association and has held several other offices with the state association.

## Drive To Recall 2 Dead In Dowagiac

DOWAGIAC — Petition drives for the recall of Dowagiac school board officers Joey Andrews Jr. and Sam Schpok are dead, according to drive leader Craig Larzelere.

The drives died for "lack of a big final push," Larzelere said. In April Larzelere said the drive had over half the signatures necessary and that he was "confident" the remainder

would be obtained in the next few days. He said about 700 signatures were collected overall toward a goal of about 1,000.

Andrews, board president, and Schpok, board treasurer, had come under fire from the recall drive supporters for a number of board actions, including several changes in administrative personnel. Larzelere attributed the

falling off of interest in the drives to the June 11 school board election in which two new board members were elected — James E. Corbit and Rev. John Ristow. Larzelere said he thought they would bring about a change for the better on the board.

Andrews and Schpok come up for re-election in 1974 and 1975 respectively.